

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of: **Shigeo TANAKA et al.**

Art Unit: **2838**

Application Number: **10/715,390**

Examiner: **Adolf D. Berhane**

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CONVERSION CIRCUIT AND ELECTRONIC APPARATUS**

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SUMMARY OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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November 13, 2008

Sir:

This paper summarizes a telephonic interview conducted with the Examiner on October 7, 2008. During the course of the telephonic interview, Applicants' undersigned representative questioned whether the Examiner had considered the partial English language translation of the JP 6-292363 reference submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on August 15, 2008. In particular, Applicants' representative questioned whether the partial English language translation of the JP 6-292363 reference had been considered because a line had been drawn through the reference on the copy of Form PTO/SB/08 that was returned to Applicants.

The Examiner indicated that he had considered the partial English language translation of the JP 6-292363 reference submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 15, 2008. The Examiner also indicated that a line was drawn through the JP 6-292363 reference on the copy of Form PTO/SB/08 returned to Applicants because the JP 6-292363 reference was

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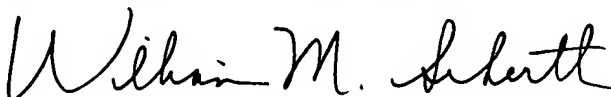
previously submitted on September 7, 2006, and the Examiner did not want duplicate printing of the reference number on the patent.

Applicants' representative pointed out that an English language abstract was submitted with the JP 6-292363 reference on September 7, 2006, whereas a partial English language translation was submitted with the JP 6-292363 reference submitted on August 15, 2008. The Examiner confirmed that he considered both the English language abstract submitted on September 7, 2006 and the partial English language translation submitted on August 15, 2008.

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Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William M. Schertler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "William" and last name "Schertler" being clearly legible.

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